

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121 as follows:

*Page 1, replace the title with,*  
Device for Processing Tires

*Page 1, below the title, please delete,*  
~~Description~~

*and insert instead:*  
CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a division of U.S. application Serial No. 09/508,317, filed April 4, 2003,  
which is a 371 of PCT/DE98/02758, filed September 10, 1998 (PCT filing date).

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

*Page 2a, above line 1, please insert:*  
SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

*Page 4, above line 8, please insert:*  
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

*Page 10, above line 12, please insert:*  
DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

*Pages 21 and 22, delete both pages in their entirety.*